



James Allred, Harrisburg Baptist Church, Tupelo, and John Price, First Baptist Church, Anguilla, put crossarms on a pole.

"Let there be light"

By James E. Smith
Global Outreach, Tupelo, Miss., provided electricity for the village of Puerto Lempira, Honduras, in July. Now it is the only village in the entire state of Gracias a Dios that has electricity.

When I repaired the generator and restored lights then to the Baptist camp in Puerto Lempira, the head of the little village came out to see me to ask if I could help them get lights in the village, too. It took quite a while to plan the system, gather the material, and then get it shipped to Honduras. In all, I have shipped four and one-half tons of electrical supplies. All of these supplies were donated by companies, churches, or individuals in Mississippi. Several volunteers were instru-

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Letters to prisoners . . . Caution urged in witness

An Editorial

From time to time this publication has run letters to the editor from prisoners seeking contact with the outside world through correspondence. Without question, this can be an avenue of meaningful witness. The scriptures admonish us to be attentive to the problems of prisoners.

There are a number of organizations dedicated to providing a ministry to prisoners, and we are thankful for them. Theirs is a difficult task but one that is sorely needed.

Some of those organizations have praised us for publishing such letters. Nevertheless, we have been very cautious. We have not published all that we have received.

Last week we contacted the superintendent of a federal correctional institution to question him about the propriety of printing such letters and of persons from outside corresponding with the prisoners. His answer was very revealing and worthy of the most serious consideration.

He pointed out that prisoners nationwide have a network by which they can carry out their aims. In many cases, he said, the aims are not honorable. The first letter will be a plea of loneliness and the request for friendship. From there the prisoner will move to demands for money, sometimes in sizeable amounts. Or the demands may be made for possessions of some sort such as television sets. In many cases the demands are backed

by threats which can be frightening. By this time, of course, the prisoner has the address.

The superintendent said these conditions are by no means a reason to stop writing. There are many instances in which such correspondence has a very meaningful significance for the prisoner.

He said such correspondence must be approached with caution; and when a letter requesting money or goods is received, it should be turned over to the superintendent of the institution. Should any Baptist Record readers receive such letters as a result of responding to a letter to the editor in the Baptist Record, we would be glad to help get the demanding letter to the proper authorities.

37 year pastorate

Barnes sets retirement from Main Street Church

By Dot Trussell

Sunday, Oct. 18, 1981, John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor of Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg for 37 years, announced his retirement on December 31, 1981. At the 11 o'clock worship hour, in announcing his retirement, Barnes stated that the 37 years he has served as pastor of the Main Street Church have been the most rewarding and happy years of his life.

Barnes was ordained to the gospel ministry, Dec. 28, 1932, at Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile, Ala. During college and seminary years he served as pastor in Birmingham, Ala.; Cecilia, Ky.; and Quincey, Ind. After graduating from the Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky. he served as pastor of First Baptist Church, Atmore, Ala., 1937-1942; First Church, West Point, Miss., 1942-1944; and then Main Street since June 15, 1944.

During his pastorate at Main Street the church membership has grown from 1550 to 2800. Three churches have been organized: Beacon Baptist Church, Northside Baptist Church (both in Hattiesburg) and La Boca Baptist Church in Balboa, Panama. During these years Main Street has had a record Sunday School attendance of 1534. On three occasions the Church Training has had over 1,000 in attendance. Recently the 9,000th person to join during Barnes pastorate, united with the church.

The church erected a new building in 1942 following the destruction of the original one by fire. In 1952, a \$370,000.00 education building and chapel were completed. In April 1968 the church concluded a million-dollar building program, including a new auditorium to seat 1700 without extra chairs.

The church has three radio programs over WFOR each Sunday. This includes both worship services and a

30 minute broadcast at 8:15, which has been on the air every Sunday for 36 years. The 11 o'clock worship service is also televised each Sunday on WDAM-TV channel 7. Surveys of all programs on WDAM have given this program from 58% to 89% of the TV audience in the prime viewing area.

During Barnes' 49-year ministry, the overall church additions total about 14,550, with baptisms about 5701, including pastorates and 227 revivals in 13 states, Jamaica, and the Bahama Islands.

Barnes has served twice as president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, and also has been president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and Executive Committee, president of the Board of Trustees of William Carey College, and chairman of the Mississippi Baptist Education Commission. On June 27, 1976 Mississippi College presented him with the Service to Humanity Award, recognizing his distinguished work as pastor and to the denomination.

On the Southern Baptist Convention level, he has served as president of the Sunday School Board; president of the Board of Directors, Southern Baptist Hospitals; and chairman of the Southern Baptist Committee on Boards.

He is author of the tract "Is It Right for a Christian?" and contributor to the Southern Baptist Encyclopedia, Open Windows, and other Baptist publications.

On Aug. 25, 1936, at Beatrice, Ala., he married Marion Johnson Stallworth, daughter of James Allen and Mary Nettles (Dennis) Stallworth. She received an A. B. degree from Howard College, and M. A. magna cum laude from Mississippi Southern College (University of Southern Mississippi). She has participated in many facets of church life, and for 30 years worked

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Home Mission Board votes budget, sets up 'Day' fund

By Jim Newton

ATLANTA (BP)—Directors of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board adopted a record \$40.5 million budget for 1982, established a memorial fund honoring the late Cecil B. Day of Atlanta, founder of Days Inns, Inc., and established additional guidelines for its church loans division recently authorized to issue church bonds for local churches.

Directors also named a new assistant director for its interfaith witness department to handle relations with other Christian groups in America, promoted two current staff members, and appointed 40 missionaries to join the 3,097 home missionaries serving throughout the United States, its territories and Canada. This included Truett and Sara Smith of Largo, Fla. He will become pastor/director of First Baptist Church, and Miami Beach. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary.

The 1982 budget of \$40.5 million is an increase of \$3.6 million (9.9 percent) over the 1981 budget of \$36.8 million. Most of the income, almost \$30 million, will come from the denomination's Cooperative Program unified budget plan and the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Although it is the largest budget the mission agency has ever adopted, Home Mission Board vice president Leonard G. Irwin said the increase barely kept up with the cost of living. Irwin pointed out the agency's budgets

for 1975, 1976 and 1979 were actually greater in buying power if adjusted for inflation.

In creating the Cecil B. Day Memorial Fund, HMB directors expressed appreciation to Mrs. Day and other members of the family for "their continuing concern and support of home missions."

Although board officials will not dis-

close the amount of the gift in keeping with the wishes of the Day family, HMB President William G. Tanner said it was the largest estate contribution ever made to the Home Mission Board, and one of the largest ever given to a Baptist agency.

Tanner said the estate will be invested in short-term securities under a plan approved by the board, with the

interest used to support the work of the Home Mission Board.

Tanner also announced record contributions this year through the Annie Armstrong Offering, with \$18,143,226 received as of Oct. 21, exceeding the 1981 goal by five percent.

In his annual report, Tanner said he is convinced Southern Baptists are

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Youth Evangelism Conference to feature Arthur Blessitt

The 1981 Baptist Youth Evangelism Conference, Dec. 28-29, at the Mississippi College coliseum, Clinton, will feature Arthur Blessitt, Joe McKeever, and Bob Hamblin.

Blessitt is an evangelist who has walked 19,000 miles across six continents with a cross on his back to preach the gospel. He attended Mississippi College and Golden Gate Seminary.

Joe McKeever is pastor of First Baptist Church, Columbus, Miss. He has been pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Greenville; and was minister of evangelism at First Baptist church,

Jackson. He earned the master of theology and doctor of ministry degrees from New Orleans Seminary.

Hamblin is associate professor of evangelism at New Orleans Seminary.

He was pastor of Harrisburg Baptist Church, Tupelo, for 22 years prior to joining the seminary faculty in 1980.

He is a graduate of Union University and earned the bachelor of divinity, doctor of theology and doctor of philosophy degrees from Southwestern Seminary. He also was awarded the honorary doctor of divinity degree from Mississippi College in 1978.

Inspirational music will be provided

by The Cruse Family and by Wayne Watson. Bruce Fields, minister of youth & activities at First Church, Canton, will lead congregational music.

The program begins at 1 p.m., Monday; Dec. 28, with registration and closes at 4:30 p.m. the next day.

A \$3 per person registration fee

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Harbour will lead Bible study preview

Brian Harbour, pastor of First Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla., will teach a series of previews of the 1982 January Bible Study.

These previews will be to teach persons how to lead the study which will be on "Jeremiah: Witness Under Pressure," a book by Roy L. Honeycutt.

The previews will take place in early November at the four Mississippi Baptist colleges: Clarke College, Newton, Nov. 2; William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Nov. 3; Mississippi College, Clinton, Nov. 4; and Blue Mountain College, Nov. 5.

Each study will begin at 9:30 a.m., and conclude at 3 that afternoon. A complimentary noon meal will be served at the host college's cafeteria.

This training is provided by Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Department.



Mississippi Baptist Convention

146th Session
November 9-11, 1981
First Baptist Church
Jackson, Mississippi

Theme: "Jesus is Lord"

Scripture: Philippians 2:9-11—"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Order Of Business

FIRST SESSION: Monday Afternoon, November 9

- 1:20 Musical Praise
- 1:30 Convention Called to Order
- 1:35 Call to Worship
- Congregational Praise
- Scripture
- Prayer
- 1:45 Message in Song
- 1:55 Organization of Convention
- Recognition and Seating of Messengers
- Report of Committee on Order of Business
- Welcome to Jackson
- 2:10 Congregational Praise
- 2:15 Bible Treasure

Instrumentalists
Brooks Wester

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Billy Williams
Zach T. Hederman
"Newlight"

Baptist Student Union
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Carey Cox
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New Orleans Baptist Seminary
New Orleans, La.

Louis Smith

Bill Hardy
Ed Gandy
James Hayes
Troy Brand, Jr.
Earl Kelly

First Baptist Church,
Hattiesburg
Brooks Wester
Gene Hendrix

SECOND SESSION: Monday Night, November 9

Handbells—Singing Churchmen

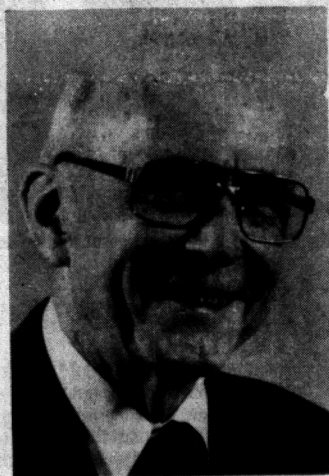
- 6:50 Musical Praise
- 7:00 Call to Praise
- Congregational Praise
- Scripture
- Prayer
- 7:10 Bible Treasure
- 7:25 Recognition of Missionaries
- Home
- Foreign
- 7:35 Family Living
- 7:45 Message in Song
- 8:05 State Convention Program
- 8:55 Benediction

Don Bennett
W. M. Daves
Julia Otis
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Glenda Sutherland
James Richardson
Annette Hitt
Singing Churchmen
Earl Kelly
Nat Mayhall

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John Barnes

Kennedy to retire from New Orleans

J. Hardee Kennedy, vice president for academic affairs for New Orleans Seminary, will retire Dec. 31, according to Seminary President Landrum Leavell.

Kennedy, a native of Clarke County, Miss., is a graduate of Mississippi College, and earned the master and doctor of theology degrees from New Orleans Seminary. And he did post-doctoral studies at Union Theological Seminary and Yale University Divinity School.

He joined the New Orleans faculty in 1947 and became full professor in 1954. He was dean of the School of Theology from 1959-68.

Kennedy is married to the former Mary Virginia Gamble of Kentucky who is also a New Orleans graduate. They have a daughter who lives in Texas.

The Kennedys will retire to a new home in Meridian, Miss.



The Biens



The Nashes

WMU seeks different Birmingham location

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP)—Woman's Missionary Union wants to move.

Carolyn Weatherford, WMU executive director, announced Oct. 16 in a letter to Birmingham area pastors and WMU leaders, that WMU is looking both for a buyer for its downtown building and 10 to 20 acres of land on which to build a new facility.

WMU purchased its current offices, the former Family Research Insurance building, at 600 N. 20th St., in 1951. It added two floors in 1961 and a rear expansion in 1977, and the building now contains 40,800 square feet of floor space.

The property, in the heart of Birmingham's financial and government district, was valued by a Birmingham appraiser at approximately \$1 million.

Growth in the national office staff, changes in publishing technology and need for more warehouse space prompt relocation, Weatherford said. A change in printing contracting rela-

tions caused WMU to have to store large amounts of its inventory, for which it now leases 15,000 square feet of warehouse space.

The WMU board executive first authorized a space study by an outside consultant and had appraisals made. Architects for the WMU building studied the possibility of building additional floors. Lease space in downtown was studied. All investigations convinced the board to pursue a move.

WMU is a self-supporting auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. It publishes 10 periodicals, in English and Spanish.

Its annual campaigns raise more money each year for the operation of the Southern Baptist Home and Foreign Mission Boards than do gifts through the Cooperative Program.

WMU was founded in 1888 with offices in Baltimore, Md. At the invitation of Birmingham Baptists, WMU relocated in Birmingham in 1921.

Retired people are invited to breakfast

The Mississippi Baptist Annuity-Fellowship invites all retired church and denominational staff people, who are not annuitants, to attend the annual breakfast held during the State Convention, as guests, provided each one will make a reservation by calling the Church-Minister Relations and Annuity office (968-3825) or writing to Bill Sellers, Box 530, Jackson, Miss., 39205. All reservations must be in no later than November 4.

The breakfast will be held at First Baptist Church, Jackson, in dining rooms A and B at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, November 10.

Campers-on-Mission elect officers

The Fall rally for Mississippi Campers-on-Mission was held Sept. 25-27 at Sleepy Hollow Campground, Houston, Miss. with 34 families attending.

The organization elected Russell Shaw of Eupora as president. Other officers are: Grey Edmondson, Edwards, vice president; Frances Scitiz, Meridian, secretary; Nell Boone, Jayess, treasurer; and Bob Leavell, Leland, Lonnie Knight, Long Beach, and Golden Mason, Ruth, as chaplains.

Speakers included Foy Rogers of the Cooperative Missions Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Frank Henry, of Bogue Chitto Baptist Church, and Bert Leavell taught Sunday School.

Henry gave a message about the need for rebuilding of the Bogue Chitto church, for which the COM group has already raised \$4,600.

Campers-on-Mission rallies are held twice a year—in the Spring and in the Fall.

The next meeting will be the last weekend in March at Boone's Camp on the Pearl River, south of Columbia. For more information contact Frances Scitiz at 2308 52nd Ave., Meridian, Miss. 39301.

Tickets for Southern luncheon

Tickets for the Southern Seminary alumni luncheon to be held during the Mississippi Baptist Convention can be ordered now from Ralph Winders, 5628 Concord, Jackson, MS 39211. They are \$4.50 each.

The luncheon will be on Wed., Nov. 11, in the Sky Room in the Baptist Building, Jackson.

New Orleans lunch to be Tuesday

The alumni from New Orleans Seminary will meet Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1981 instead of a traditional Wednesday meeting. The luncheon will be in the Delta III Room of the Holiday Inn Downtown, Jackson, and is scheduled to begin immediately following the morning session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Another change is advance purchase of tickets. All tickets must be ordered no later than Nov. 2. They are \$6.00 each and should be ordered by check or money order sent to: Gordon Sansing, First Baptist Church, 31 Washington St., Pontotoc, MS 38863.

According to Gene Henderson, Mississippi alumni president for New Orleans Seminary, no tickets will be available at the convention or the Holiday Inn because reservations must be finalized 48 hours in advance.

Mid-America alumni lunch to be at MC

Danny M. Crowe, pastor of West Marks Baptist Church and president of the Mississippi chapter of Mid-America Seminary Alumni, has announced an alumni luncheon to be held during the Mississippi Baptist Convention in the Hall of Fame Room at Mississippi College, Nov. 10, at noon. "We will have a time of fellowship and reports," said Crowe.

Homecoming

Calvary (Lincoln) homecoming, Nov. 1: Sunday School 10 a.m.; worship services 11 a.m.; guest speaker James Porch; dinner on the grounds; afternoon service about 1:30 with singing; Tommy Dobbins, pastor.

Mississippi Baptist activities

- Nov. 2—Pastor/New Church Training Director Conference; 7-9:30 p.m., East Heights Church, Tupelo/FBC, Grenada/Morrison Heights Church, Clinton/Temple Church, Hattiesburg (CT)
- January Bible Study Preview; Clarke College, Newton; 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (SS)
- Nov. 3—Pastor/New Church Training Director Conference; 7-9:30 p.m. West Marks Church, Marks/Calvary Church, Greenville/FBC, Starkville/FBC, Newton/Wesson Church, Wesson (CT)
- January Bible Study Preview; William Carey College, Hattiesburg; 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (SS)
- Nov. 4—January Bible Study Preview; Mississippi College, Clinton; 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (SS)
- Nov. 5—January Bible Study Preview; Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain; 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (SS)
- Nov. 6-8—International Student Convention; Camp Garaywa, Clinton; 7 p.m.-6th-11 a.m., 8th (SW)



Jones women slate day of prayer

The Laurel-Jones County Library is the site of an associational version of the Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer, Nov. 2, at 7 p.m. The prayer meeting is being held by the Jones County Woman's Missionary Union, in cooperation with the National Baptist women's groups of the area. This is the second year for this meeting in Jones County. More than 150 attended in 1980. Pictured are planners of the prayer meeting from left: Mrs. Alma Barnes, president of the East Mississippi State Baptist Women's Auxiliary; Mrs. Jean Williams, Jones Association Baptist Women director; Mrs. Elaine Sims, Jones WMU director; Mrs. Dell Scooper, chairman of the planning committee; and Mrs. Anne Jones, member of Friendship Baptist Church, representing National Baptist women on the committee.

Leaders earn diplomas

The following leadership diplomas have been received by Mississippi Baptist Church organizational leaders during the quarter July-August-September, 1981.

Sunday School Leadership Adult Leaders: Mrs. Elaine Price, Calvary, Adams; John A. Patrick, Ridgecrest, Hinds-Madison; Mrs. Josie Patrick, Ridgecrest, Hinds-Madison; William G. Watson, Ridgecrest, Hinds-Madison; Pauline Bibb, First, Calhoun City, Calhoun; Mrs. Stella Young, South Side, Lauderdale.

Sunday School Leadership Youth Leaders: William G. Watson, Ridgecrest, Hinds-Madison; Mike Mitchell, South Side, Lauderdale; Barry Hardy, First, Crystal Springs, Copiah; Allen Tyner, South Side, Lauderdale; Sharon Nelson, Columbia, Marion.

Sunday School Leadership Children Leader: Mrs. Virginia Irby, South Side, Lauderdale; Brenda Tyner, South Side, Lauderdale; Allen Tyner, South Side, Lauderdale.

Sunday School Leadership Preschool Leader: Mrs. Dott C. Edwards, Broadmoor, Hinds-Madison; Brenda Tyner, South Side, Lauderdale; Allen Tyner, South Side, Lauderdale.

Senior Adult Leadership: Allen Tyner, South Side, Lauderdale.

Sunday School Leadership General Officers: Luther Meadows, Ridgecrest, Hinds-Madison; Mrs. Lenora Deaton, Priceville, Lee.

Church Training Leadership Preschool Leaders: Peggy J. Buckman, Plainway, Jones; Karen Stokley, Plainway, Jones; Sarah Golding, Bel-den, Lee.

Church Recreation Leadership:

Jimmy Smith, Alta Woods, Hinds-Madison; Charles Nikolic, Van Winkle, Hinds-Madison; Joe May, Jr., Immanuel, LeFlore; Sharon Nelson, Calvary, Marion; Tom Prather, First, Newton, Newton; Mark Donnell, White Sand, Pearl River; Ted Bostick, Calvary, Pike; Mark Seanor, First, McComb, Pike; Jerry Ball, Crossgates, Rankin; Donald Hintze, First, Pearl, Rankin; Danny White, Drew, Sunflower; Dennis Smith, Cartersville, LeBannon.

Church Training Leadership General Officers: Sam McMillen, Parks, Union.

Church Music General Leaders: Danny White, Drew, Sunflower.

W.M.U. Leadership Baptist Women: Mrs. Nathan Jarnagin, Calvary, Hinds-Madison; Mrs. Sara Richardson, Calvary, Hinds-Madison.

W.M.U. Leadership Girls in Action Leader: Mrs. B. C. Oakley, Bruce, Calhoun; Pauline Bibb, First, Calhoun, Calhoun; Mrs. Linda Gatlin, Wade, Jackson.

W.M.U. Leadership Mission Friends Leader: Mrs. John I. Rogers, First, Jackson, Hinds-Madison.

W.M.U. Leadership Officers: Pauline Bibb, First Calhoun City, Calhoun.

Media Skills: William Watson, Ridgecrest, Hinds-Madison.

Media Services: William Watson, Ridgecrest, Hinds-Madison; Mrs. Betty Barrett, Ridgecrest, Hinds-Madison.

Mississippi in top three: new WMUs

Mississippi is one of the top three state conventions in the number of new Woman's Missionary Union organizations started since WMU launched its National Enlargement Plan last March. Nineteen new WMUs have been organized.

The only other state convention which has organized more is Kentucky with 21. Florida also had 19.

As of September 4, 1981, the number of churches reporting new WMU organizations is 180. Twenty-one out of 34 state Baptist conventions have reported new WMU organizations since the National Enlargement Plan began.

Called New WMU, the purpose of the plan is to begin new WMU organizations in 11,604 Southern Baptist churches which report no WMU. The project is sponsored jointly by national and state WMUs. It will culminate in September, 1983.

FMB: new box

The Foreign Mission Board has a new box number. The complete mailing address of the Foreign Mission Board is Box 6767, Richmond, Va. 23230.

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Christian Women United will meet in Fort Worth

Christian Women United, '81, a conference for the Christian woman, is scheduled for Nov. 5-7 at the Tarrant County Convention Center in Fort Worth. The purpose of this three-day conference is to affirm the Christian woman in her role and her faith as she finds peace and happiness in following Biblical principles, according to a spokesman.

Featured speaker of the Christian Women United, '81 conference will be Elisabeth Elliot, noted speaker and writer, who served as a missionary in the jungles of Ecuador for 10 years, putting the spoken tongue of the native Indians into written language and then translating the Bible into this language. Her husband, Jim Elliot, was speared to death by the Auca Indians while attempting to take the Gospel to them. Elisabeth and her small daughter remained in Ecuador and were eventually able to befriend and share the gospel with those same Auca Indians. Since leaving Ecuador, she has written 14 books, including Let Me Be

A Woman and The Mark of A Man

Other speakers for the conference include Jeannette Cliff George, who played the lead role of Corrie ten Boom in World Wide Pictures' movie *The Hiding Place*. She is author of *Some Run With Feet Of Clay*. Musician Beverly Terrell, former football star Paige Cothren and his wife, Foy, and Mrs. Bailey Smith, wife of the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, are also among the speakers for the conference.

Fort Worth's Christian Women United, '81 conference will feature workshops on "Physical and Spiritual Beauty in Homemaking," "Portrait of a Triumphant Marriage," "Widows, God's Special Women," "Partners in Ministry: Chosen and Equipped" (wives of church staff members), "Laughter Under a Moth-Eaten Halo" (turning blunders into blessings), "How Do I Serve You Now, Lord?" (divorce), "Singleness, A Special Gift," "Lifestyle Evangelism," and "Coping With Kids."

Pre-registration and further information can be obtained by writing Christian Women United, '81, Post Office Box 12935, Fort Worth, Texas 76116.

Beth Tillery, Convention Bd. retiree, dies

Beth Tillery, 60, of Clinton, died Oct. 24 in Mississippi Baptist Medical Center, Jackson. Funeral services were held Monday, Oct. 26, at 2 p.m. from First Baptist Church, Clinton, where she was a member. Burial was in Lakewood Memorial Park, Jackson.

Mrs. Tillery was administrative assistant and secretary to the business manager of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board from 1963 until she took medical retirement on May 1, 1981. Previously she had worked as secretary in the Department of Evangelism, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, and for Seminary Extension, as well as on the staff of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson.

A native of River Falls, Ala., she studied at Howard College (now Samford University), Birmingham, Ala., and at Modern Business Academy, Montgomery. Her husband, John R. Tillery, is an ordained Baptist minister who has served pastorates at Good Hope (Winston), Bethesda (Hinds), and County Line (Rankin).

Survivors in addition to her husband are three sons, Johnnie G. Tillery of Jackson, Harry N. Tillery of Marks, and Frank A. Tillery of Clinton; a daughter, Sue Blaise of Clinton; three brothers, Norman O'Neal of Clinton, J. Paul O'Neal of Enterprise, Ala., and James O'Neal of Andalusia, Ala.; three sisters, Margie Austin of River Falls, Ala., Rachael Peacock of Florida, Fla., and Marie Gowan of Miami; and six grandchildren.

Senator Stennis speaks at MC

CLINTON—Senator John C. Stennis of Mississippi was the featured speaker at the William B. Crockett Forum on Free Enterprise scheduled for Mississippi College, Monday, Oct. 26.

Stennis spoke at 10 a.m. in Nelson Auditorium to students, faculty and staff. He conducted a news conference at 11 a.m. in the Media Center of the Leland Speed Library.

The Crockett Forum on Free Enterprise was established at Mississippi College last spring to place special emphasis on the American economic system and its entrepreneurial spirit.

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ALCORN FBC CORINTH 161.30 60.00 38.00 40.00 82.50 130.00 53.10 50.00 614.90	GRENADA FBC GRENADA 112.00 FRIENDSHIP 25.00 GORE SPGS 30.00 HARDY 54.00 HEBRON 38.32 HOLCOMB 29.00 TEMPLE 342.32	LAMAR BELLEVUE 19.00 CALVARY 125.00 CORINTH 29.00 FBC LUMBERTON 115.00 FBC PURVIS 59.00 FBC SUMRALL 30.00 ORAL 43.51 420.51	MARSHALL BUNKER HILL 22.00 CALVARY 117.00 CEDAR GRV 32.00 FBC COLUMBIA 500.00 HURRICAN CRK 36.05 IMPROVE 31.00 N COLUMBIA 51.00 NEW HOPE 885.05	PIKE BALA CHITTO 44.00 E MCCOMB 51.00 FBC MAGNOLIA 148.00 FBC MCCOMB 394.00 FBC SUMMIT 60.00 FRIENDSHIP 50.00 NAVILLA 61.00 PROGRESS 352.82 S MCCOMB 53.65 TERRY CRK 1,239.47	UNION FAYETTE 47.00 FBC UNION CHURCH 30.00 PORT GIBSON 40.00 117.00
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BYW's largest attendance recorded at Garaywa retreat

By Marilyn Hopkins
Baptist Young Women Consultant
The largest attendance at the annual Baptist Young Women Retreat was recorded Oct. 9 and 10. 170 came from across the state, from 45 churches and 33 associations, for the retreat held in Clinton.

They heard foreign missionaries, Glenna Stamps, from Managua, Nicaragua and Nan Sugg from Tainan, Taiwan. Special feature was Marjorie Kelly, author of the Gifted Woman I am.

This year the theme was "Send Me". The BYW were challenged to see

where the Lord was sending them—around the world, or right here at home in Mississippi!

State BYW representatives on the Mississippi WMU executive board were featured on the retreat program and were presented with the new BYW pin during the meeting.

Mrs. Stamps and Mrs. Sugg, told of their work in Nicaragua and Taiwan, sharing prayer requests during the prayer time each session.

Both women told how the Lord has used them in their missionary service as wives and mothers. Glenna shared as a missionary who has recently

faced a civil war in Nicaragua, but praised the Lord for the work that was done even during these troubled days.

While Nan, a new missionary, told of the doubts she had about her call as she entered into a new culture and language, only to discover a stronger commitment because of the trials.

The music and theme interpretations were led by a former missionary journeyman, Janie Boykin, Raleigh. Janie has been a part of the Camp Garaywa summer GA and Acteens camping program since 1975 as a college student. Since that time she has taken part on different WMU sponsored programs.

Janie has just completed a two year assignment as the WMU worker in Liberia and plans to enter Golden Gate Seminary in California in January.

Janie said during the retreat, "I'll return to the mission field after completing my studies because the Lord is 'sending me' to tell others about him." She will marry a former missionary journeyman and they plan to both return to the mission field after seminary training.

This retreat for BYW was held simultaneously to the Baptist Women Retreat for the first time. Approximately 380 women participated during the two retreats.

The BYW Retreat for 1982 is now being planned. The date is October 8-9, 1982, starting on Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. with supper and concluding Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p.m.

Watch for information about this annual retreat from Marilyn Hopkins in the Baptist Record, and in the WMU newspaper, alongside which is mailed to WMU leaders and pastors.

Just for the Record . . .

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Homecoming was recently observed at the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church in Lee County celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Church. The church had its beginnings on Sept. 29, 1931 when 13 people met in the old Mt. Vernon School building to organize. They elected Spurgeon S. Kelly as the first pastor. Five of the charter members were present to help in the Homecoming activities which included a dinner and singing by the Kinsmen. The five present, (Top photo), were Mr. Delmar Vinson, Mrs. Levell Kelly, Mr. Reginald Vinson, Mrs. Dewdrop Clayton and Mr. Clinton Vinson. (Also pictured is Spurgeon Kelly). Several of the former pastors were also on hand to help celebrate. Pictured also are John Dugard, Spurgeon Kelly, Ray Glomay, Bobby Robbins and interim pastor David Roper.



On Oct. 10 Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Tupelo, celebrated its fifth anniversary. After worship services, members held dinner in their new Christian life center, along with music by the Kinsmen quartet. During its five years as a church, Grace has licensed five persons to the gospel ministry; pictured left to right: Randy Warman, Dewitt Webb, Jay Bullock, Jerry Guess, and Milton Lamons. Joe Holcomb is pastor.



LONGVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH used the theme, "Here Am I, Send Me" in its GA recognition service. Angela Faulker, at center in second row, and Candy Stallings, second from left, second row, were commended for their outstanding achievements in Missions Adventures. Regina Boyd is Acteens director; Patricia Pound is GA director; Bonnie Litton is WMU director.



MARGARET GLAZE ROSS, center, was honored recently for 30 years of leadership in the WMU of Pelahatchie Baptist Church. Docie Edwards, right, presented Mrs. Ross with a plaque. At left is ZANE TOWNSEND, the church's newly elected WMU director. Barry C. Corbett is pastor.



D'Lo Baptist Church presented MRS. IDA THOMPSON with a plaque for her 40 years' service as church treasurer. Paul Roberts presented the plaque and Mrs. Germaine Sykes presented an orchid.



EAST END CHURCH, COLUMBUS, broke ground Oct. 18 for a new sanctuary. Shown is the building committee (left to right) Mike Price, Robert Brewer, Bill McBryde, and Lee Roy Lollar. Right foreground is W. M. Daves, pastor.

Pine Grove (Yalobusha) has installed a new chain link fence around its cemetery, and has built a breezeway to tie its two buildings together. Also office space has been added.

Puckett Church held Pastor Appreciation Day Sept. 13, to honor its pastor, Jim Carr, and his family, Elaine, Tommarah, and Jimmy. This was Carr's third anniversary as Puckett pastor. Special bulletins were prepared. The church presented personal gifts and a love offering to the Carrs. Adults and youths delivered expressions of appreciation during the morning service. Lunch was served at the church. In the past three years Puckett Church has experienced a 100 percent enrollment growth in Sunday School and Church Training and a 200 percent growth in missions giving, according to one church member. A van has been bought, tennis and basketball courts and softball field provided, and a minister of music and youth hired.

Names in the news

Charles Farmer is available as pastor, interim pastor, or to supply. He may be reached at telephone 287-6820 or Route 8, Apt. 4, Corinth, MS 38834.

F. Marvin Myers has been elected executive director of the National Association of Church Business Administrators. He begins his work in November 1981 in Fort Worth, Tex.

Myers, 48, was a church management consultant at the Baptist Sunday School Board for five years. A graduate of Mississippi College and Southwestern Seminary he also has been a minister of youth, music and education/administration for churches in Mississippi and Texas.

The association is a professional training and service organization of more than 600 church business administrators serving through 20 denominations in 40 states.

Ingalls Avenue Church, Pascagoula, honored its pastor, Frank Hendry, and his family, with a reception Oct. 11. This date marked Hendry's second anniversary at Ingalls Avenue. Chairman of deacons Doug Shore expressed appreciation and Cooper Hogue presented to the Hendrys a \$1,000 love offering from the congregation.

Hebron (Grenada) ordained James Williamson as a deacon, Sept. 20.

Morrison Heights Church, Clinton, recently ordained six deacons: Jimmy Carver, John Cook, John Arthur Eaves, Hugh Kersh, Randy Mascagni, and S. E. "Gene" Sturges.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP)—Ann Kilner of Richmond, Va., has been named special products editor for Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention. Kilner will edit coordinated products and coordinate planning of special projects for WMU's editorial department. She will also edit products for Acteens, WMU's missions organization for girls in grades 7 through 12. She was Acteens director for Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia.

C. E. Graves has been re-elected director of the Sunday School of Providence Baptist Church, Route 2, Meadville, Franklin County Association. Franklin Haire, Route 2, Meadville, is pastor. He was elected to this post in 1946 and has served continuously since that date—45 years.

Revival dates

Trinity Church (Rankin): Nov. 1-4; Talmadge Smith, pastor of Morgantown Church, Natchez, evangelist; services at regular time on Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Mon.-Wed.; Bill Price, leading the singing; O. Lyn Nations, pastor.

Missionary news

Sydney and Frances Goldfinch, missionaries to Costa Rica, have retired and are now living at 3719 Ogburn Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C. 27105. They served with the Foreign Mission Board for 42 years—1939-44 in Uruguay, 1945-1960 in Paraguay, and 1961-81 in Costa Rica. He states, "World mission conferences and other engagements are being scheduled for this fall and the spring of 1982. Pray with us for guidance as to a more permanent place for service, as we are able."

Cornelia Leavell, missionary to Hong Kong, has arrived in the States for furlough (address: 208 S. Washington St., Starkville, Miss. 39759). Daughter of Southern Baptist missionaries, she was born in Tsangwa (formerly Wuchow), Kwangsi Province, China. She was appointed in 1942.

Homecomings

Chunky Baptist Church: homecoming Nov. 1; 11 a.m. speaker, David Boothe, Alexandria, La.; singing and burning of note on Family Life Building, at 1:30 p.m.; regular evening activities; Curtis L. Guess, pastor.

Flag Lake Baptist Church (Tate): homecoming and harvest day, Sunday, Nov. 1; morning service at 10:45; lunch on the grounds; afternoon service at 1:30; special music by the adult and youth choirs, 1:30 until 2 p.m.; James R. Stevens preaching in the morning and Cecil Cole in the afternoon; Jackie Yow, pastor.

Staff changes

Calvin Kelly has resigned as pastor of McCool Church in Attala Association. He will become associate pastor of Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Montgomery, Ala.

Jon Flippin has been called as pastor of East County Line Baptist Church in Attala Association. He formerly served as pastor of Easley Memorial Church (Panola). In addition to his work at the church, he serves as principal of the Zama Attendance Center.

Mike Smith has been called as pastor of First Church, Gilbertown, Ala. He goes from East Pleasant Grove Church in the Clarke Association. He formerly served Midway Church, Newton.

Tom McCurley has accepted the pastorate of Calvary Baptist Church, West Point, Clay Association. He was formerly pastor of West Ellisville Church, in Ellisville. He is a native of Gloster, and a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He and his wife, Donna, have three children, Todd, Jai, and Brent.

J. W. Carpenter, has resigned the pastorate of Friendship (Yalobusha), due to health problems. He states that he will be available for supply work. Friendship has called Bill Forsyth of Water Valley.

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Grenada has a new church secretary, Mrs. Don Arnold. She succeeds Mrs. Gail Oliver, who resigned to join her husband, David, a student at Blue Mountain.

Fairview Church, Sunflower County, has called George Gelber of Bay City, Texas, as pastor. He is a student at Mid-America Seminary, Memphis. He and his wife Faye have a son, 8, and a daughter, 4.

Second Baptist Church, Greenville has announced that Manuel Weeks has accepted its call to be pastor. He and his wife, Ginny, and their son, Chris, are moving from Eastwood Church in Indianola. Weeks is a graduate of Delta State University, New Orleans Seminary, and Luther Rice Seminary.

Gerald Keith Gordon is now pastor of East Columbia Baptist Church, Route 2, Columbia. He is the former pastor of the Centerville Church, Soso. He attended Southeastern Junior College, has a B.S. degree from William Carey College, and was graduated from New Orleans Seminary. He was ordained to preach at Creston Hills Baptist Church, Jackson. He is married to the former Judith Faye Hollifield and has two children Jessica, 6 and Gerald Keith II, 3.

Colonial Hills Church, Southaven, has called John Joiner as music and youth director. He was former music and youth director at Oakland Church, Corinth. Joiner and others of his family, Debbie, Heith, and Chris, have moved to Southaven.

Revival results

Lake Forest Baptist Church, Walls: Oct. 4-9; five professions of faith; six additions by letter or statement; W. T. Berry, pastor, Thundering Springs Baptist Church, Leesburg, Ga., evangelist; Paul L. Lee, layman from McLean Baptist Church, Memphis, leading the music; Don Minshew, pastor. The chapel, a mission of Labelle Haven Baptist Church, Memphis, is just under a year old. It is a member of the Northwest Baptist Association.



The volunteer Pontotoc Team included from Furs Church associational Brotherhood director Howard Wallis and layman James Keith; from Liberty Church, associational moderator Bobby Caples and layman Reece Pennington; from Oak Hill Church, layman Tommy Miller and pastor Alvis K. Cooper, associational church administration director, who headed the project.

Pontotoc men roof Utah church

The churches of Pontotoc Baptist Association sent a six-man team to Blanding, Utah, to help re-roof the First Baptist Church of Blanding. The associational mission committee, headed by chairperson Emogene Ray, initiated the project. The Executive Committee appropriated \$2,000 from the associational budget. The churches added a love offering of \$189.00 to help offset the cost of transportation, food, and shelter for the team.

The men re-roofed the church,

painted the interior, re-worked doors, installed new doors, provided shelves in the Sunday School rooms and storage rooms, and did outside general repair. After the cost of materials and expenses \$1163.00 of remaining funds were given to the Blanding church for additional siding work on the church and parsonage.

The pastor of the Blanding church, Roger Stacy, is a native of Pontotoc, appointed by the Home Mission Board. The director of missions of Pontotoc Association is Wade Allen.

Carroll picks pastor and layman of year

Carroll County Baptist Association on Monday and Tuesday nights, Oct. 12 and 13, had two of the most harmonious annual meetings on record, according to Nolan Houston, Carroll-Montgomery director of missions.

Main speakers were Leon Emery, director, Church Administration-Pastoral Ministries department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, and George Smith, pastor of Carrollton Baptist Church.

During the second session, at Vaiden Church, awards were presented to William "Bill" Patten, pastor of the North Carrollton Baptist Church and moderator of the association, for pastor-of-the-year, 1980; George Smith, for pastor-of-the-year, 1981; and Joseph Sansing, for lay-person-of-the-year, 1981.

Patten and one of his deacons, J. C. Hooks, were presented awards for earning the highest number of study awards, percentage-wise and in number, during the past year, on behalf of their church, North Carrollton. Randol Lindsay, Vaiden pastor and associational Sunday School director, made these awards for the association.

Patten was re-elected moderator and Bennie Watson, Providence, McCurley pastor, was re-elected clerk for the coming year. Keith Thrash, Mt. Olive pastor, was elected vice-moderator.

Smith, Sansing, Patten

East Corinth ordains Double Springs pastor

Russell Pepper Dill has been called to his first pastorate, at Double Springs Baptist Church, Eupora. East Corinth Baptist Church, Corinth, ordained him into the gospel ministry on Oct. 11, 1981. Dill's father, Charles B. Dill, is pastor at East Corinth.

Jack May of Broadmoor, Memphis, preached the ordination sermon. Participating in the ordination and the first in the laying on of hands was Elbert R. Dill, Pepper's grandfather, a long-time deacon who participated in the ordination of his son, Charles, in 1968 in New Orleans, when Pepper was a small boy.

Pepper Dill, a senior at Mississippi State University, will enter seminary next year.

Calvary honors 41-year clerk

James Earl Bassett, clerk of Calvary Baptist Church, Meridian, since Oct. 1, 1940, recently resigned, saying that "it is time for someone younger to pick up this responsibility and duty."

The church gave a reception in honor of Bassett and his wife. Calvary Church on Oct. 11 adopted a resolution commending its clerk of 41 years for showing "exemplary Christian deportment in his services" and for "carrying forth his responsibilities faithfully."

The resolution declared that "he has maintained a close working relationship with pastors and staff of said church and has shown efficiency in the execution of his duties." The commendation of Bassett, a life time

Ted Church salutes Cockrell

P. A. Cockrell has served Ted Baptist Church 45 consecutive years as clerk; 35 consecutive years as treasurer; and 27 consecutive years as Sunday School director. He is still serving as deacon and Executive Board member. Members of Ted Church adopted a resolution Sept. 20 appraising appreciation for Cockrell's service and stating, "He has always been faithful in the discharge of his responsibilities, and he has contributed much time and support to his church and the work of the Lord among Mississippi Baptists."

John E. Barrow is pastor of the Ted Church which is near Louin.

Lynchburg, Va. (EP)—Moral Majority will mount an anti-pornography campaign next year using legal, economic and political pressure instead of a puritanical approach, a spokesman for the group says.

Good Hope installs memorial windows

Good Hope Baptist Church, Newton County, is celebrating its 126th anniversary. As a feature of the occasion, multicolor fiberglass windows in bronze aluminum frames have been installed in the sanctuary. According to the pastor, E. L. Clark, "the beautiful windows add to the spiritual atmosphere of worship." The pastor also states that the windows are all memorials sponsored by families who wish to honor their loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Bassett

Bible Book Series

Marks of the kingdom disciple

By Lewis Sewell, pastor
First, Oxford
Matthew 5:1-16

Chapter 5 of Matthew begins what is referred to as the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7). The "mountain" is not a snow-capped peak. Rather it is reference to an accessible height where many could see and hear Jesus. From this position Jesus began to teach. The first section of Jesus' sermon is called the Beatitudes (vss. 1-16).

In the Beatitudes Jesus taught that the disciple whose life is characterized by all of the Beatitudes is a profound influence on the world. The Beatitudes are a well-known form of biblical speech. In this passage Jesus presents a number of Beatitudes. The exact number of Beatitudes is a matter of opinion among New Testament scholars.

The account in Matthew probably has nine Beatitudes. The nine

Eastlawn plans 30th birthday celebration

November 8 has been designated for the celebration of the 30th anniversary of Eastlawn Church, Pascagoula. The program for the day will include: 9:30 a.m. reception for former members; 10:30 a.m. worship service; 12:30 old-fashioned dinner on the ground; 2 p.m. old-fashioned praise service.

The anniversary choir will be made up of former and present choir members. Anyone who has ever sung in the youth choir of Eastlawn Baptist Church has a special invitation to be at Eastlawn and participate in this mass choir said Dodds Douglas, former minister of music who will be leading the choir. A rehearsal will be held at the church on Saturday night, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m. Oliver Marson, home missionary in Montana, will speak. He was the first pastor of Eastlawn Church. Roscoe C. Wentworth III is the present pastor.

An upright man can never be a downright failure.

About the only thing you're sure to get by asking for it is trouble.

Beware of half-truth, you might take hold of the wrong half.

Beatitudes do not describe nine different classes of persons. Rather, the true disciple will possess most or all of these characteristics. Similarly, the promised blessings are not divided among separate classes of disciples, but are all aspects of the blessing God gives now and later to loyal disciples.

This blessedness is not something that disciples who are thus described feel. It is a quality unerringly ascribed to them in the estimate of God.

I. Characteristics of the Disciple (5:1-12).

In these 12 verses nine Beatitudes are laid down. Each begins with "blessed." "Blessed" represents a Hebrew or Aramaic phrase which is of the nature of an exclamation that generally translates as "happy." Jesus is not offering rewards; He is stating facts. Sometimes the fact is in the present, sometimes it is an event in the future. But even though its manifestation be postponed to another stage of existence, it is nevertheless a fact, and Jesus sees and states it. His language is that of one who witnesses a great triumph or a striking success, and offers felicitations.

We have presented to us features of character, conduct, or experience on which Jesus congratulates men because of the results which accrue to them. Each "blessing" is accompanied by the reason for which it is pronounced, and sometimes, though not always, the whole statement appears to be a paradox.

"Poor in spirit" (v. 3) is a reference to those who accept the hardships and limitations of life without bitterness toward men or God, and thus place their lives in God's hands. They will be in the kingdom of heaven, which is the rule of God in the heart of a person.

In verse 5 "meek" means more than gentle. It describes the person who is humble and trustful towards God even though outward conditions of life are not easy. It is the opposite of self-centered. It accepts life under God without complaint or inner bitterness.

In verse 8 the "pure in heart" describes a person not merely free from lust and evil desire. Rather, it describes a person who is single-minded in complete loyalty to God and his purposes.

The disciple is filled with these characteristics. The disciple of Jesus is a learner under the teaching and influence of Jesus. The word translated disciple literally means "learner." So

as disciples we must have the characteristics described in the Beatitudes.

These characteristics of the Beatitudes are consistent with the type of Messiah Jesus revealed himself to be through the temptation experience.

II. Influence of the Disciple (5:13-16).

In verse 11 Jesus turned to his disciples and warned them that in their case suffering "for righteousness' sake" will mean being subjected to abuse, persecution, and every kind of calamity "for his sake." When he, the Messiah, is withdrawn from them, the hatred of the world, directed against him while he is on earth, will be turned against his followers. They must rejoice greatly in the knowledge that such suffering is an indication that they are in the true line of descent from the prophets who foretold the Messiah's coming.

Those prophets and the people to whom they spoke were a "peculiar" people, and the disciples of Jesus must also, by the very nature of their calling, be "distinctive." It is this "truth" which is expressed in Jesus' description of them as "salt of the earth." The most obvious general characteristic of salt is that it is essentially different from the medium into which it is put. Its power lies precisely in this difference.

The power of the disciple of Jesus in this world lies in his difference from the world. The Christian is as different from other men as the salt on a plate is different from the food into which it is placed. Another primary function of salt is to preserve, to arrest decay, to act as an antiseptic. The disciple, accordingly, is called to be a moral disinfectant in a world where moral standards are low, constantly changing or nonexistent. But the disciple of Jesus can fulfill this function only if he himself retains his virtue—and this calls for much self-discipline.

The disciple of Jesus is likened also to a light. He is to obtain his light from Jesus who is the Light of the world. If this special light of influence is to be of great help in the world of darkness, it must be in a conspicuous place.

So the disciples of Jesus are not to hide themselves, but live and work in places where their influence may be felt. The light in disciples that comes from Jesus must be fully visible to others, but not for their own glorification. Others must see Jesus in the disciples of Jesus.



Devotional

Sharing is having

By Graham L. Hales, chaplain
Forrest General Hospital, Hattiesburg
I John 1:4

One of my favorite memories of my student years at the University of Virginia is the fall of the year. We would drive up to the top of the nearby mountains and look across miles of colorful foliage. Words, of course, cannot and could not describe it. You must see it. However, it was not just seeing it as I stood in silent ecstasy that made those visits most memorable. It was standing with someone and sharing the experience together.



Hales

But, there was a special character to this life from God. It not only changed the ones who received it. It not only washed away their sins. It not only made them new creatures in Christ. It was such a life-expanding experience that the believers were motivated to declare it, share it, give testimony to it. I never returned from the mountain drive without trying to share the beauty of the sight with school friends. I wrote about it on English themes. Letters home to my parents and to my beloved sweetheart were filled with my attempts in words to describe the splendor of the colors.

Sharing for a purpose

The main reason I sought to share the beauty of the mountains was to encourage my hearers to go and see for themselves. I could only talk or write about the experience. I could not give others my experience. John was sharing his testimony so that the readers might open their lives to God's life and find fellowship with the believers in that special fellowship or family of the Father. The love of God moved him to seek others to experience for themselves that same love.

As others did read or hear his testimony and believed in Christ for themselves, John would find his "joy may be complete." That's what happens in sharing of our faith. As others find what we have found, our lives are also blessed. We do not lose the joy but gain more joy. We have more of what we gave to others.

The beauty of the mountains lasted only a few weeks each year. The leaves fell and only a memory remained. Not so with eternal life. Once we experience it, we do not lose it. Not a memory but a continuing, dynamic, growing experience to share and to enjoy. So, maybe this week, we can try a little sharing. If so, we'll find a larger having of joy in our lives.

A Psalm

Father, what colour
You have given us.
The burnt orange of autumn,
The brilliant green of the treetop.
Rich browns for base
And faded shades of grey.
The smoky haze
In the eyes of a cat,
Black streaks
On the wing of a sparrow.
The glaring white of the sun
When you look into it
And the deep purple
Shadows of dusk.
Rainbows dancing 'round
Water collected in a puddle.
The cloudless blue
Of the stretching and endless sky.
Lush moss on the
Cool black earth.
The vibrant red of the
Berries on the bush.
And the clear of a tear
When you touch us.

Father, what wonder
You have given
To my senses.
How does the night
Know when to fall?
And how does the winter
Know when it's cold enough?
What colour is the wind
When it blows through
My loved one's pretty hair?
Why doesn't the ocean
Pour off the earth?
And how can you love us
Who don't deserve?

Father, what detail
You have built into life.
You make my heart beat;
You make me draw breath.
You teach me to sleep.
You save me from death.
You gave me a mind,
A talent, a peace.
You gave me laughter
And just a sprinkling of magic.
And you gave me a soul—
To know you with.
Father, my being
Is filled with awe—
For you.

—Cyndi Rawls
Laurel

22 sent to South Dakota

Twenty-two persons from Covington and Jeff Davis Associations took part in a Bold Mission project to Brookings, S. D., July 12-19. They went to assist the 18-member University Baptist Church in constructing additional Sunday School space.

"University Church is four years old and has recently called a full-time pastor. The struggling congregation desires to develop a strong witness for Christ in the community, and to minister to 7,000 students through a BSU work at South Dakota State University," said L. B. Atchison, director of missions, Covington-Jeff Davis.

The Mississippi men worked in construction while the women conducted a four-day Vacation Bible School. All of the group took part in Sunday worship with the small congregation, and also did visitation witnessing in connection with the Bible school. They visited and

distributed tracts throughout Brookings.

Various churches of Covington and Jeff Davis counties gave \$1,300 to buy building materials. Many of the churches shared Bible school materials, thus providing their children a feeling of personal involvement in the project.

Those who went to South Dakota were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Frayser, Old Hebron; Jerry Milling, Dublin; Gary L. Pinkley, Charlotte Pinkley, Janet Pinkley, Old Hebron; Charles E. Maples, Peggy Maples, Ann Majors of First, Mount Olive; Harold Wilson, Allison Mooney, James McPhail, Becky Rutland, Crystal Mooney, Anita Gibson of Ora; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Harris of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Beech, guests of the Harrises; James Wade of Union, North; Delores Atchison, Prentiss, and L. B. Atchison, Prentiss, coordinator.

Off the record

During a railroad strike in England, a volunteer engineer on the London-Liverpool express performed the remarkable feat of bringing the train into Liverpool twenty-five minutes ahead of time.

The passengers went forward in a body to thank him. A pale face emerged from the cab. "Don't thank me," he gasped; "thank God. I only found-out-how to stop this thing ten minutes ago!"

Life and Work Lesson

God demands right living

By Joel E. Haire, pastor
First Church, Crystal Springs
Exodus 21:1-2; 22:21-25; 23:29; 23:13

One of the best ways to compliment parents is to compliment their children. Parents like to hear someone say, "Oh, you have such well-mannered children," or "your child is so sweet." It is pleasing to hear someone say, "Your children are good children."

Few rewards in life are more important than parents knowing that their children have become mature adults who practice right living.

Children don't always feel the way their parents do about being good. Sometimes they seem to think there is something bad about being good. They don't always want to be the perfect little angels mother and daddy think they are. Perhaps they are uncomfortable with too much goodness because of the lower standards set by some of their friends around them. At any rate, they want to make many of the decisions about right and wrong in their lives. Yet they need parents who will be concerned and guide them.

When God's people were in Egyptian slavery many of their choices were made for them. Now they were receiving the freedom they had longed for, but with that freedom would come responsibility. They had more freedom to choose than ever before. They had the privilege of choosing what was right but they might also choose what was wrong.

The people of Israel needed God's direction as much as ever before. They needed some guidelines. It was important that they turn their freedom into right living. The entire future of Israel depended on a right relationship with God that resulted in right living.

I. God Demands Right Living That Moves A Nation Toward Individual Freedom (21:1-2).

Slavery did exist among the Hebrews. However, God did not lead the Hebrew people to practice it. When they had slaves they were not following the direction of God.

The Bible does not here or elsewhere teach that slavery is right. God never intended for people to be owned by people. He always taught that it was wrong to reduce a person to the level of a thing which another person owned.

A kind of slavery can exist in the home when husband and wife treat each other as things to be manipulated rather than persons created in the

image of God to be loved. Children will have difficulty growing to mature adulthood if their parents treat them as things rather than lives entrusted to them by the Lord.

Today we have a responsibility in the neighborhood, in the factory, on the job and in all personal relationships. It is important to treat people as people. It is tragic when we try to use them as things for our own selfish benefit.

There are several ways in which Hebrews could become slaves. They might through poverty sell themselves into slavery. Children whose parents were poverty-stricken might actually find slavery to be a better way out. Sometimes Hebrews became slaves through crime.

God wanted a way out of slavery for his people when they were in Egypt. God wanted a way out of slavery for individuals among the Hebrews. He could have immediately declared everyone free. Instead he took the people where they were and led them toward where they should be. God said that a Hebrew slave's servitude must end when the sixth year of it was completed. Freedom was God's desire for every individual.

II. God Demands Right Living That Requires Fair Treatment For all (22:21-25).

The human mind often tries to forget past experiences that were bitter or unpleasant. What a temptation it would be for the Israelites to forget those past years of slavery and oppression. Yet there was one thing they must never forget. They knew how it felt to be strangers in Egypt. This was to be remembered as they dealt with strangers among their own people. They knew the heart of a stranger and how it felt when they were vexed and oppressed. Remembering their own past would give them a tenderness of strangers.

Widows and orphans were especially weak and defenseless. Often they had no one to turn to in their helplessness. If others mistreated them there was little they could do about it. Here God showed how much he cared. If God cared, then his people must also care.

Today we know God as loving and caring. Because we are his children he expects us to express the same kind of love and care. We have a responsibility toward those who are weak.

If the people of Israel oppressed others they would only bring about and hasten the day of their own oppression. Only God's protection could keep them from the sword. God's care alone could protect the wives from becoming widows and the children from becoming fatherless.

Sometimes Christians are impatient with others who are oppressed by sin, difficulty and distress. It is easy to criticize and say that will never happen to me and my family. Have you noticed how often those who are most critical later experience the same things they have criticized?

III. God Demands Right Living That Recognizes The Necessity of Putting God First (22:28-29).

God was to be first in their attitude. They were not to speak evil of God. Most of the people looked on the false gods of the heathen nations with contempt. However, this habit of speaking evil of false gods must never be practiced when speaking of the true and living God.

The rulers of the people were to be respected. God had chosen them as his leaders. Words spoken of them were to express a right attitude.

God was to be first in their practice. Such was clearly shown by their giving. To give God the last and the least evidenced a last and least attitude toward God. To give God the first and the best evidenced a first and best attitude toward God.

IV. God Demands Right Living That Regards Truth as Essential In All Relationships (23:1-3).

1. Truth about a person is God's way (23:1). When physical violence destroys a person it is easily seen and condemned. However, untruth about a person, through harder to see, can likewise be destructive. An untruthful witness in their courtroom or elsewhere is forbidden.

2. Truth in the midst of a multitude is God's way (23:2). It is never right to do wrong regardless of where the majority stands. Mob action is self-destructive and destroys others. It is not always possible to be true to God and true to the crowd. Being true to God leads to being truthful toward others.

3. Truth above favor is God's way (23:3). Even the poor were not to be unduly favored just because they were poor. God's truth would be sufficient to stand for right living in relation to the poor as well as in every other situation throughout life.

Uniform Lesson

Christ's glory

By Jerry E. Oswalt, pastor
Second Avenue, Laurel
John 17:1-26

The word "glory" is a key word in this passage, being used in some form a total of seven times (17:1, 4, 5, 10, 22, 24). In the Scriptures the word is frequently associated with the presence of God (1:14). It also is used to refer to that quality that a person or thing exudes because of an intrinsic goodness, beauty, loveliness, or some other positive property. For example we find that the glory of God is identified with his perfection (Isa. 42:8) and that the glory of Lebanon is the beauty of her trees (Isa. 60:13).

In its verb form (to glorify) the word means to make honorable or to bring to a position of esteem, dignity, and worth as in the death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus (17:1-5), as in the completed redemption of believers (Rom. 8:18,30), and as in the obedience of God's Son (17:4) and all his children (1 Cor. 10:31).

This passage considers some of the aspects of Christ's glory.

I. Consider the Glory of His Cross (17:1-5).

Jesus speaks to God in a most simple, intimate, and open fashion (17:1a). Personal praying at its best is simply talking with the Father. God never intends prayer to be complicated. He desires that we approach him in simple childlike trust.

Realizing that the time of his crucifixion is near (12:23; 17:1), Jesus asks the Father to glorify him. In this initial request Jesus has in mind the glory of the cross (12:23-24). Christ's glory is not just highest holiness on a throne; it is also sacrificial suffering on a cross. It is not strange to believers that Christ foresaw glory in his suffering and humiliation. We honor, esteem, and love him more for Calvary than anything else.

As he prays for God to glorify him in suffering and death, Jesus knows that the end result is that God will be glorified too. God's love for sinners is made manifest through Christ's death on the cross as nowhere else. God is also glorified through Jesus' obedience itself. Just as children honor their parents through their obedience, Jesus honors his Father through his obedience unto death (17:1,4).

Jesus expresses confidence that his Father, who authorizes him to provide eternal life to those who believe in him,

is likewise going to enable him to complete his task (17:2). It is only through Jesus' finished work that men can know the Father personally and intimately (17:3,4) (Rom. 5:10). This is the very essence of eternal life.

Another facet of Christ's glory in his cross is the resulting glory of his resurrection and ascension. His triumphant glory is necessarily preceded by his sacrificial glory (17:4; 12:23,24; Phil. 2:9-11). Jesus asks for the crowning act of his glorification on the basis of his faithfulness in finishing his assigned task (17:4,5).

II. Consider the Glory of His Disciples' Obedience (17:6-19).

Jesus goes on to talk with the Father about his disciples' need for preservation and sanctification. He is obviously gratified that eleven of the twelve disciples have believed that he is authentic and have understood and accepted his message (17:6-8). It is because of their acceptance of and obedience to his message that he is glorified in them (17:10). Only Judas rejected Jesus' role as suffering servant (17:12). All the others eventually accepted Jesus as suffering servant and along with it his challenge to them to live lives of self-denial. It remains difficult for his followers to engage in sacrificial living. We must remind ourselves that just as his sacrificial glory preceded his triumphant glory our sufferings with him must precede our triumphant glory with him (Rom. 8:17-18).

Jesus asks that the Father preserve and sanctify his disciples (17:15,17). This is necessary in order that they may continue to glorify him as he sends them forth into a hostile world with his message (17:18). Preservation from the temptations of the evil one is only made possible through the sanctification (setting apart for holy living) that is accomplished by the power of God's truth (17:17). God's word, which is truth, is that which sustains and strengthens his children for holy living (Psa. 119:11).

III. Consider the Glory of His Church's Unity (17:20-26).

In a passage that lifts the hearts of every generation of Christians, Jesus asks the Father to bless all those who will believe on him through the witness of the original disciples (17:20). In the process he lifts every individual in the church universal up to the Father. His prayer is that all believers will be one

with the Father, with him, and with one another so that the glory of genuine brotherhood will offer an effective witness in the world thus validating Jesus as one sent from God (17:21-23). We can never overestimate the value of maintaining unity in the bond of peace. It must be given priority in our churches. This kind of unity is only possible as believers personally experience and appropriate the love of God. Jesus promises to continue to make God's name (his character) known to his disciples so that they may experience edification in God's love (17:26).

Jesus also prays that the church will be allowed to be with him and see his triumphant glory (17:24). He previously promised his disciples that they would be with him (14:3). This prayer is connected with that promise. John felt and expressed the assurance of the answering of the prayer when he wrote, "... we know that when he appears we shall be like him for we shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:2).

How wonderful to have the unsurpassed privilege of sharing in his glory! The glories of his sufferings, of his resurrection, of obedience to him, and of unity in him are all ours for the taking. How encouraging to know that he not only prayed for us to share in his glory then but intercedes for us still (Heb. 7:25).

Glorious is thy Name, O Lord!

Gains after surgery

ALEXANDRIA, La. (BP)—Robert L. Lee, executive director of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, continues to improve from recent surgery, according to his wife, Grace. Lee was admitted to Rapides General Hospital Sept. 25 because adhesions from previous surgery caused intestinal blockage.

Following surgery, pneumonia set in and treatment was complicated by Lee's allergy to penicillin. Alternate medication has cleared up the pneumonia, but physicians are continuing to treat Lee for a stubborn postoperative infection, Mrs. Lee said.

About 500,000 low-income people are on the food stamp program in Mississippi. Each month they are issued over \$20 million in food coupons.

